

Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, June 22, with transcript

Letter from Mrs. Alexander Graham Bell to Dr. Alexander Graham Bell. Hotel Chelsea. Atlantic City, N.J. June 22nd, (1911) Dear Alec:

I thought this would interest you. Is it what you thought of? I have written Messrs. Mauro, Cameron and Co. to send you a copy of the patent.

We are getting along slowly, these are some of the low tide days. Elsie is suffering from excess of red food the doctor says. It is hard to establish the proper balance between the need of the building up of new blood and not giving her more blood-making products than she can comfortably dispose of. Her breast bandages too, bothered her last night and it was only after hours of work that she could get so that she could sleep. I have been trying to work out about the Bellair Heights lots but don't get as much time as you would think for there is a good deal to do for Elsie and the daily outings take up the whole afternoon.

Mr. Manchester sent me his bills for payment. The road cost averages \$90. a month which seems to me excessive so I am writing to the Dept. to ask what is the proper up-keep cost of country roads.

It continues cool here.

Bert, Melville, Mabel, Lilian, Alec, Baby, three nurses, one governess at least, two house servants sail for Baddeck Saturday June 24 by the Red Cross Line to Halifax from New York. Alec has been ill with what Barbara's Doctor Spencer diagnoses as worms, which 2 he thinks he must have had for six months or a year. Dr. Fremont Smith only saw nervousness in the child. I prefer the worms theory.

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Be good to the boy, he is tired and nervous and troubled almost beyond his endurance.

Your loving Mabel.